

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge the First Action of 22 JAN. 2008 and request reconsideration of the application as amended.

Responsive to Paragraph 3 of the Action, the abstract has been shortened and placed into more idiomatic English.

Responsive to Paragraph 4 of the Action, specification page 9 has been amended to provide antecedent basis for the NTC resistor recited in claim 22. MPEP 608.01(1) states: "In establishing a disclosure, applicant may rely not only on the description and drawing as filed, but also on the original claims if their content justifies it." Note that German claim 22 (the PCT text, page 18 of the WO text) recited "ein NTC-Widerstand" which translates as "a NTC resistor" as certified by translator Dr. Nicholas Hartmann.

Responsive to Paragraph 13, indicating that dependent apparatus claim 3 and dependent method claim 42 contain allowable subject-matter, their features have been incorporated into main claims 1 and 35, respectively. Claims 20 & 21 have been **cancelled** to avoid double recitation of features, and claims dependent upon them have been revised accordingly. This places the entire claim set in condition for allowance, and no further discussion of the references cited is believed necessary.

If the Examiner notes any remaining informalities, or wishes to make any suggestions to place the application in condition for allowance, she is invited to telephone counsel Milton Oliver at (W) 203-261-1234 or (CELL) 781-910-9664.

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